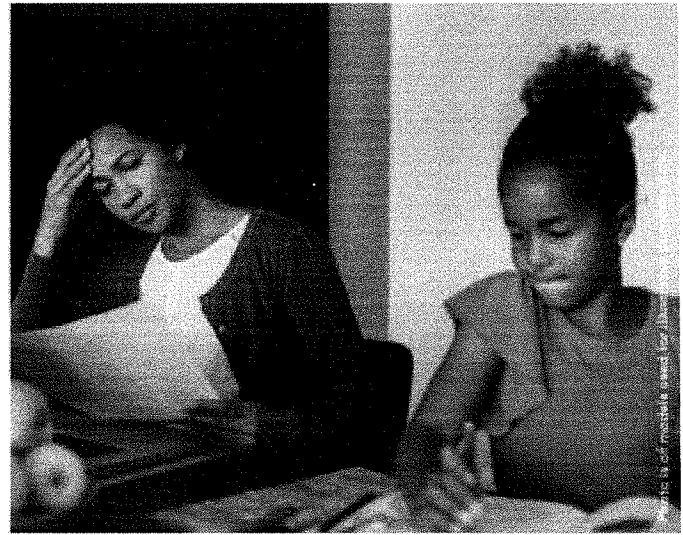


New York State Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP)



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Funding is currently available through ERAP for New York City households who are behind in their rent. Eligible low and moderate-income households can get up to 12 months of their back rent paid, along with 3 months of future rent and other assistance.

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Residents of New York City are eligible if they:

- Fell behind in rent since the COVID-19 pandemic began in March 2020 **AND**
- Qualified for unemployment benefits **or** have lost income and/or have an increase in expenses due to the COVID-19 pandemic; **AND**
- Have a monthly gross (before tax) household income at or below 80% of the Area Median Income (AMI).

PRIORITY GROUPS

During the first 30 days of the program New York State is prioritizing households with income at or below 50% AMI and at least one household member within the following categories:

- unemployed for at least 90 days
- veteran
- experiencing domestic violence or is a survivor of human trafficking
- has an eviction case pending in court
- lives in a community that was disproportionately impacted by COVID-19
- lives in a building with 20 or fewer units
- resides in a mobile home

AFTER THE INITIAL 30-DAY PERIOD APPLICATIONS WILL BE REVIEWED ON A FIRST COME FIRST SERVED BASIS. FUNDS ARE LIMITED SO ALL ELIGIBLE HOUSEHOLDS SHOULD APPLY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE REGARDLESS OF WHETHER THEY ARE IN A PRIORITY GROUP.

| Household Size | Gross Annual Income Limits | |
|----------------|----------------------------|---------------------|
| | At or Under 80% AMI | At or Under 50% AMI |
| 1 | \$66,850 | \$41,800 |
| 2 | \$76,400 | \$47,750 |
| 3 | \$85,950 | \$53,700 |
| 4 | \$95,450 | \$59,650 |
| 5 | \$103,100 | \$64,450 |
| 6 | \$110,750 | \$69,200 |
| 7 | \$118,400 | \$74,000 |
| 8 | \$126,000 | \$78,750 |

All payments will be made directly to the landlord/property owner on behalf of the tenant. Landlords may initiate an ERAP application on behalf of tenant(s) who are otherwise eligible for ERAP. Tenants will be notified of the amounts paid on their behalf.

Qualified utility arrears may also be covered by ERAP.

To learn more, visit the New York State Emergency Rental Assistance Program Page:

otda.ny.gov/erap

IN PEEKSKILL:

☎ 844-NY1-RENT

VOLUNTEERS want to offer computer assistance to public housing residents with applications. You may call or text Tina Bongar at 646-808-6018 / tina@bongarbiz.com

GET HELP WITH NYS EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – ERAP!

We're volunteering to help public housing residents do this, to receive the rent relief you deserve. If you aren't good with computers — we can help.

If you have internet access, the application is available online:

<http://www.nysrenthelp.otda.ny.gov>

You'll need some documents listed on the back. New York State will reimburse the Peekskill Housing Authority who is certified to receive assistance.

(IF YOU APPLY BY THE END OF JUNE, YOUR APPLICATION WILL RECEIVE PRIORITY!)

You are entitled to receive back rent assistance since March 2020, and help with your utility bill. In addition, there is rent assistance for the next 1-3 months.

Sponsored by *Cortlandt Peekskill Anti Racism Coalition (CPARC)*, and *Tina Volz-Bongar*. We will provide volunteer laptops and phone wifi hot spot. (We also have referrals to housing assistance agencies contracted by the state to assist.)

NEED MORE HELP?

You can contact the NY State Client Call Center at: 1-844-NY1-RENT (1-844-691-7368)

ERAP Documents needed to upload and information to provide:

- **Personal identification for all household members.** Acceptable forms of identification include: A photo ID, driver license or non-driver government-issued ID, passport, EBT/Benefits Issuance Card, birth or baptismal certificate, school registration, or other government-issued ID.
- **Social Security number** of any household members who have been issued one.
- Proof of rental amount, signed lease, even if expired. If no **lease** is available then proof can be shown through a **rent receipt, canceled check or money order**. If no documentation is available, landlord attestation will be accepted.
- **Proof of residency and occupancy** – Signed lease, rent receipt, utility bill, school records, bank statement, postal mail with name of applicant, insurance bill, or driver license. Proof should be current.
- Proof of Income to document income eligibility:
 - Documents demonstrating monthly income for the prior month, such as **pay stubs, or bank account deposit verification, or unemployment benefits letter, or other proof;**
 - **Documents demonstrating annual income for 2020, such as a W-2 tax form from an employer,** an annual statement of earnings, or a copy of a completed income tax return, such as a 1040, 1040EZ, 1099 tax form, or other evidence of 2020 annual income.
 - **Self-attestation of income is permitted in certain circumstances** where no documentation is available such as certain self-employment.
 - Copy of gas or electric utility bill, if applying for help paying for utility arrears at the same rental unit the household is requesting rental arrears.

Applicants will be asked to attest that on or after March 13, 2020, a member of the household received unemployment benefits or experienced a reduction in household income, incurred significant costs or experienced other financial hardship, directly or indirectly, due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Applicants will need to sign the application form and associated certifications agreeing that the information provided in the application is accurate.